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Office Order

Sub: Revised Cost Norm for Community Nursery raised under MegLIFE Project

Enclosed herewith revised cost norm for Community Nursery raised under MegLIFE Project. These norms are based on Minimum Wage rate for unskilled labour as notified by Labour Commissionerate, Govt. of Meghalaya vide Notice No. LBG 9/2023/5 dt.31st March, 2023 (i.e., Rs. 395/- per person day).

All BPMs are asked to discuss the cost norms with the VPICs.

All DPMs to ensure adherence to the above-mentioned office order by all staff under their jurisdiction.

Encl- As stated

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Cost Norm of Activities for Refilling Existing Community Nursery

Base Estimate is based on: Govt. of Meghalaya, Forest and Environment Department Letter No. For. 85/86/461 dt. Shillong 5th June, 2017

Minimum Wage rate for unskilled labour as notified by Labour Commissionerate, Govt. of Meghalaya vide Notice No. LBG 9/2023/5 dt.31st March, 2023 (i.e., Rs. 395/- per person day).

Refilling of the nursery (estimate for 1bed)

Sl. No.	Item of work	Man-days (no.)	Amount (in Rs.)
1.	Cost of polythene bags (22.50 cm x 15mm) in one bed 4kg required	6.6	2607.00
2.	Cost of manure mixing soil including pounding after filling in poly bags	7	2765.00
3.	Cost of wedding & Watering	2.6	1,027.00
4.	Cost of planting material	1	395.00
5.	Cost of sowing including hoeing, mulching etc.	1	395.00
6.	Cost of pricking and transplanting of seedlings from germination beds to polybags	1	395.00
7.	Miscellaneous cost e.g fungicides, tools & plants, making of inspection path, fertilizer, chemicals, lime, pesticides/insecticides, growth hormones etc.	0.42	166.00
Total for 1st year		19.62	7750.00

Total cost of refilling of 10 beds poly pot community nursery=Rs.77500.00

Cost per seedling=Rs.7.75/-

In case of selling access seedlings or MegLIFE plantations of other VPIC from the community nursery cost of buy back seedlings Rs.2/- per seedling.

Cost Norm of Activities for Raising New Community Nursery

Base Estimate is based on:Govt. of Meghalaya, Forest and Environment Department Letter No. For. 85/86/461 dt. Shillong 5th June, 2017

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1st year creation of nursery (estimate for 1bed)

Sl. No.	Item of work	Man-days (no.)	Amount (in Rs.)
1.	Preparation of Standard sized beds (13.00 m x 1.30m x 0.30 m)	1	395
2.	Cost of polythene bags (22.50 cm x 15mm) in one bed 4kg required	6.6	2607.00
3.	Cost of manure mixing soil including pounding after filling in poly bags	9	3555.00
4.	Cost of cow dung including transportation	0.6	237.00
5.	Cost of planting material	1	395.00
6.	Cost of goat proof fencing net including cost of wooden fencing posts, fixing, fitting etc. complete and including cost of staples	1	395.00
7.	Cost of sowing including hoeing, mulching etc.	1	395.00
8.	Cost of pricking and transplanting of seedlings from germination beds to polybags	1	395.00
9.	Cost of construction of shades for protection of seedlings from frost during winter and direct sunlight in warm areas		
	a) Cost of materials	1	395
	b) Labour Cost	1	395
10.	Cost of weeding (4 weeding @1dl per weeding)	2.6	1027.00
11.	Cost of watering	0.2	79.00
12.	Miscellaneous cost e.g fungicides, tools & plants, making of inspection path, fertilizer, chemicals, lime, pesticides/insecticides, growth hormones etc.	0.42	166.00
Total for 1st year		26.42	10,436.00

Total cost of creation of 10 beds poly pot community nursery=Rs. 1,04,360.00

Cost per seedling.10.00

In case of selling access seedlings or MegLIFE plantations of other VPIC from the community nursery cost of buy back seedlings Rs.2/- per seedling.